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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Confirmation No.: 5130

James M. Barton, et al. Group Art Unit No.: 2424

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed February 5, 2009, the shortened statutory period for which runs until May 5, 2009. Please revise the subject application as indicated below.

There are no amendments to the specification. Amendments to the claims, and Remarks, are presented on separate sheets below.

Claim amendments are on pages 2-21.

Remarks are on pages 22-24.